

Minutes of the meeting and work session of the City of Winslow Arts Council held on February 4, 2016 at 4:30 p.m. at City Hall, 21 Williamson Avenue, Winslow, Arizona.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Sarah Smithson, Chairman  
Todd Roth, Vice-Chairman  
April Neill  
Christa Knox  
Sam Conner  
Randy Barton

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Cheri Russell

**STAFF**

Roberta Cano, Secretary

The meeting was called to order at 4:38 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and April offered the invocation. April moved to excuse Cheri from being absent from the meeting. Todd seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**MINUTE APPROVAL OF – JANUARY 21, 2016 REGULAR MEETING**

The minutes of the January 21, 2016 Regular Meeting were reviewed and Todd moved to approve the minutes as presented. April seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

Call to the Public was closed as no members from the public attended the meeting.

**COUNCIL CONSIDERATION AND ACTION**

**A. Discussion in reference to creating an Arts Council banner for the Second Saturday Event.**

A discussion took place in reference to the proposed banners that Cheri presented to the Council at the last meeting. It was decided that the colorful banner with the Arts Council logo and blank space for artist information and possible sponsors would be best suited for the event. April moved to accept the banner as designed. Christa seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

A discussion took place in reference to what vendor should create the banner and the amount of money that should be spent on the banner. The Council decided that the order will be made at Staples in Flagstaff and a maximum amount of \$200.00 will be spent on the order. April moved to place a \$200.00 cap on the purchase of the Arts Council banner. Todd seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

April stated that she will order the banner from Staples which has a tentative completion date of Tuesday February 9, 2016. Christa stated that she will be in Flagstaff on Thursday and could pick up the purchase at Staples to bring to the Second Saturday Event on February 13<sup>th</sup>.

**B. Discussion in reference to purchasing Arts Council Polo Shirts and choosing a vendor.**

Sarah provided an overview of the design and color of the proposed polo shirt. A discussion took place in reference to different vendors and an offer was made to Randy Barton to make the polo shirts for the Council. Randy explained that his embroidery equipment was not functional at this time. The Recording Secretary was tasked with finding various vendors and options for the Council to choose from.

Sarah stated that we will revisit this agenda item at a later time when more information is presented.

**C. Further discussion in reference to a Mural/Sign Project for businesses or buildings in Winslow.**

Sarah began a discussion about the Mural Project and the possibility of having our pending new Council member Randy Barton create a mural with the Council's support and funding. Randy provided information to the Council in reference to costs involved with the Mural/Sign project and a possible business that might want to hire him to create a sign.

Sarah suggested that the Mural/Sign project should begin with a City wall or building to show businesses that the City backs the efforts of the Arts Council and the Mural/Sign Project. A discussion took place in reference to possible City buildings that could be utilized for the Mural Project. The Recording Secretary will inquire about potential locations that may be considered for the Mural Project and further discussion will take place when more information is provided.

**D. Further discussion in reference to the Winslow Jr. High Art Club "Artist Walk".**

Christa provided an overview of the Artist Walk to the Council, stating that the Jr. High Art Club will dress as their favorite artist or painting and give an educational synopsis to participants (specifically children). Once the participant has visited each featured artist, the Art Club will provide a reward to the participant in the form of art supplies.

A discussion took place in reference to possible locations and dates for the event to take place. A suggestion was made to look into possible businesses down town that may provide space as well as specials for participants that complete the Art Walk.

Christa stated that the Art Club would like to have the support of the City of Winslow Arts Council and proposed that the Artist Walk take place on Saturday March 12, 2016. Todd moved that the Arts Council support the Artist Walk with a tentative date of March 12, 2016. Sam seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. Christa stated that she will take the information discussed back to the Art Club and further planning can take place at the next meeting.

**E. Discussion in reference to pre-planning for INKFEST 2016.**

The Recording Secretary stated that Mark Dragoo, owner of PT's made contact inquiring if the Arts Council will be offering the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual INKFEST. He is looking to hire a band for the festival and would like a commitment from the Council to host the event. Mark suggested a possible date of October 22, 2016 for INKFEST. A discussion took place in reference to the Arts Council hosting the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual, INKFEST. April moved to have the City of Winslow Arts Council host the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual, INKFEST. Christa seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Sarah stated that with the planning of INKFEST 2016, the Council will need to review prior minutes involving INKFEST 2015 and see what areas of the planning, promoting, and execution of the event could be improved. The Recording Secretary will review prior minutes and recordings to establish areas need to be addressed for the next INKFEST event. Further planning will take place at the next Arts Council meeting on February 18, 2016.

**MATTERS FROM THE FLOOR**

April stated that Creative Spirits contacted her in reference to scheduling another event for the Arts Council. The Recording Secretary will check to with various venues and dates to establish the next Creative Spirits event. Further discussion will take place at the next meeting.

April stated that she spoke to the owner of the Sipp Shoppe who stated that they are willing to host a wall dedicated to artists who might want to sell or show their art for a couple weeks at the shop. A discussion took place in reference to possibly hosting an opening night for the artist at the Sipp Shoppe, in similar fashion of the Second Saturday event. Further discussion will take place at the next meeting.

Christa announced that the Winslow School District art teachers are looking for volunteers to judge the Young Artist Art Show to take place on March 1<sup>st</sup> and the Arts Council is invited to be a part of the judging. Further discussion will take place at the next meeting with specific volunteers for the art show.

Sam stated that he is looking to find various people in the community to interview to write articles about. He stated that he has a piece on Doctor Beckwood coming out this Friday and would like the Council to review it to get an idea of the type of article he is writing. A discussion took place in reference to various personalities that might be a good candidate for Sam's project. The Council will keep Sam's request in mind and update him with suggestions of potential people to write about.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Todd moved to adjourn the meeting. April seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 5:52 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Sarah Smithson, Chairperson

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Roberta Cano - Recording Secretary